

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monday, April 1, 2024
5:45 P.M. – Closed Session
6:30 P.M. – Regular Session

The Honorable Columbus County Commissioners met on the above stated date and time at the Columbus County Commissioners Chamber, 127 West Webster Street, Whiteville, North Carolina 28472, for the purpose of conducting a Regular Session.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Ricky Bullard, **Chairman**
 Giles E. Byrd, **Vice Chairman**
 Lavern Coleman,
 Scott Floyd
 Barbara Featherson
 Brent Watts
 Chris Smith

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

Eddie Madden, Jr., **County Manager**
 Amanda B. Prince, **Attorney**
 Jana Nealey, **Clerk to the Board**

APPOINTEES ABSENT:**Agenda Item #1: MEETING CALLED to ORDER:**

At 5:45 P.M. Chairman Ricky Bullard called the regular session meeting to order.

RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into CLOSED SESSION in ACCORDANCE with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(A) (3) ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE**MOTION:**

Commissioner Watts made a motion to recess regular session and enter into closed session, seconded by Vice Chairman Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #2: CLOSED SESSION in ACCORDANCE with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(A) (3) ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE**RECESS CLOSED SESSION and enter into REGULAR SESSION****MOTION:**

Commissioner Coleman made a motion to recess closed session and enter into regular session, seconded by Commissioner Floyd. The motion unanimously passed.

GENERAL ACCOUNT:

Attorney Amanda Prince gave the general account as follows:

The board discussed (1) matter of Attorney-Client Privilege, no action was taken.

MOTION:

Vice Chairman Byrd made a motion to approve the General Account, seconded by Commissioner Floyd. The motion unanimously passed.

Chairman Bullard recessed regular session until 6:30 P.M.

Regular Session resumes at 6:30 P.M.

Agenda Items # 3 and #4: INVOCATION and PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE:

The invocation was delivered by Commissioner Barbara Featherson. Everyone in attendance stood and pledged Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America which was led by Commissioner Lavern Coleman.

Agenda Item# 5: APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**MOTION:**

Commissioner Floyd made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Watts. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #6: BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL:

- a. March 18, 202 Regular Session

MOTION:

Commissioner Coleman made a motion to approve seconded by Commissioner Floyd. The motion unanimously passed

Agenda Item #7: PUBLIC INPUT:

No Public Input

Agenda Item #8: CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

- a. Proclamation - Week of the Young Child
- b. Proclamation – Child Abuse Awareness
- c. Proclamation – Sexual Assault Awareness
- d. Resolution to establish America 250 Columbus County Committee

MOTION:

Vice Chairman Byrd made a motion to approve all Consent Agenda Items, seconded by Commissioner Floyd. The motion unanimously passed.



Columbus County
PROCLAMATION

Week of the Young Child

April 1st, 2024

WHEREAS, the Columbus County Partnership for Children (Smart Start) and other local organizations, in conjunction with the National Association for the Education of Young Children, are celebrating the Week of the Young Child, April 1 - 7, 2023; and

WHEREAS, these organizations are working to improve early learning opportunities, including early literacy programs, that can provide a foundation of learning for children in Columbus County, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, parents, grandparents, teachers and others who make a difference in the lives of young children in Columbus County, North Carolina, deserve thanks and recognition; and

WHEREAS, public policies that support early learning for all young children are crucial to young children's futures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, we, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 1 through April 7, 2022, as the Week of the Young Child in Columbus County, and encourage all citizens to work to make a good investment in early childhood education in our community

APPROVED and ADOPTED this the 1st day of April, 2024

Columbus County Commissioners



Columbus County
Proclamation

Child Abuse Awareness Month April 2024

WHEREAS, Positive Childhood Alliance North Carolina, the Columbus County Partnership for Children and the Columbus County Commissioners, realize that children are vital to our county future success, prosperity and quality of life as well as being our most vulnerable assets; and

WHEREAS, all children deserve to have the safe, stable, nurturing homes and communities the need to foster their healthy growth and development; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a community responsibility affecting both the current and future quality of life of a community; and

WHEREAS, communities that provide parents with the social support, knowledge of parenting and child development and concrete resources they need to cope with stress and nurture their children ensure all children grow to their full potential; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention strategies succeed because of partnerships created among citizens, human service agencies, schools, faith communities, health care providers, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies and the business community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, we the Columbus County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April as Child Abuse Prevention Month and call upon all citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, elected leaders and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the communities in which we live.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this the 1st day of April, 2024



Columbus County
Proclamation

Sexual Assault Awareness Month April 2024

Whereas, nationally one in three women and one in four men will experience some form of sexual assault in their lifetime; and

Whereas, Sexual Assault Awareness Month draws attention to the fact that sexual violence is widespread and has implications for every community member; and

Whereas, there is compelling evidence that we can be successful in reducing sexual violence through prevention education, increased awareness, and holding perpetrators who commit acts of violence responsible for their actions; and

Whereas, we must work together to educate our community about what can be done to prevent sexual assault and how to support survivors; and

Whereas, anyone can be a leader in preventing and ending sexual violence. As employers, educators, parents, and friends, we all have an obligation to uphold the basic principle that every individual should be free from violence and fear; and

Whereas, Families First, Inc. will continue to encourage every person to start conversations about what sexual violence is, how to prevent it, and how to help survivors connect with services, and to speak out against harmful attitudes and actions.

Now therefore, be it resolved, that the Columbus County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of all residents of Columbus County, does hereby proclaim the month of April 2024, as Sexual Assault Awareness Month, in Columbus County, to keep our community members safe from this crime and to stand with survivors and victims of sexual assault.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this the 1st day of April, 2024

Columbus County
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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JANA NEALEY, CLERK TO THE BOARD
AMANDA B. PRINCE, ATTORNEY, DEPUTY CL

**Resolution of Columbus County
Recognizing and Approving of the Columbus County
Official America 250 NC Committee**

A resolution of Columbus County, North Carolina, supporting the America 250 NC committee for the United States Semiquincentennial (AMERICA 250 NC).

WHEREAS, Roy Cooper, Governor of North Carolina created AMERICA 250 NC to plan, encourage, develop, and coordinate the commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the United States and North Carolina's integral role in that event and the role of its people on the nation's past, present, and future; and

WHEREAS, AMERICA 250 NC has a mission to engage ALL North Carolinians and ALL 100 counties through their many signatures and officially recognized programs, projects, and events over the commemoration by inspiring future leaders and celebrating North Carolina's contributions to the nation over the last 250 years; and

WHEREAS, by adoption of America 250 NC's mission, Columbus County Committee is officially formed to achieve the goals of America 250 NC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Columbus hereby endorses AMERICA 250 NC and its mission; and

RESOLVED, the County of Columbus officially establishes an AMERICA 250 NC Committee made up of a diverse group of citizens to work with AMERICA 250 NC on any and all activities. The participants of the Columbus County Committee will be strictly voluntary roles and there will be no compensation for participation.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Columbus County legislative delegation and the AMERICA 250 NC Committee.

ADOPTED this 1st day of April, 2024.

Agenda Item #9: PRESENTATION – COASTAL HORIZONS:

Spokesperson Rakhee Patel presented an update on current resources and programs that Coastal Horizons offers Columbus County.

Agenda Item #10: ADMINISTRATION – APPROVAL of the HMGP-FLORENCE NON-EXPEDITED BID for GROUP 1 DEMOLITION of 2 HOUSES:

Assistant County Manager Gail Edwards requested approval of the Bid-Award from Group 1 in the amount of \$20,700 for the demolition of a house located at 413 Angelo Circle and the other located at 214 W. Walter Street, Whiteville. This is fully grant funded.

MOTION:

Commissioner Watts made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Coleman. The motion unanimously passed.

**NOTICE OF AWARD
DEMOLITION
Group #1**

TO: Finesse Builders Inc. (Ginger Carter)
250 Dixie Road
Red Springs, NC 28377

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: 2018 COUNTY OF COLUMBUS
HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM
HMGP

The OWNER has considered the BID submitted by you for the above-described Contract in response to the Advertisement for Bids dated February 29, 2024 and the Information for Bidders.

You are hereby notified that your Bid has been accepted for items in the amount of \$20,700.00.

You are required to execute the Agreement and provide the required Certificate of Insurance within ten (10) calendar days from the date of this Notice of Award to you. If you fail to execute said Agreement within ten (10) calendar days from the date of this Notice, said OWNER will be entitled to consider all your rights arising out of the OWNER'S acceptance of your Bid as abandoned.

The OWNER will be entitled to such other rights as may be granted by law.

You are required to return an acknowledged copy of this Notice of Award to the OWNER along with a Certificate of Insurance. Certificate holder to be Columbus County, 127 W. Webster St, Whiteville, NC 28472.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 2024

COUNTY OF COLUMBUS

BY: _____
(County Official)

TITLE: _____

ACCEPTANCE OF NOTICE

Receipt of the above Notice of Award is hereby acknowledged this ____ day of _____, 20____.

BY: _____

TITLE: Owner, Finesse Builders Inc.

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THE ADAMS COMPANY INC.
ENGINEERING AND DESIGN
Firm License No. C-4438

708 Abner Phillips Road | Warsaw, NC 28398 | (910) 293-2770

MEMO

To: Gail Edwards

From: David Carter

Subject: Recommendation of Award
Columbus County 2018 HMGP Demolition
Demolition Contract Group 1

Date: March 21, 2024

On March 20, 2024 at 10:30 am bids were received at the Columbus County Administrator's office. The Bids were opened and read aloud. Attached is the Bid Tabulation Summary and a Notice of Award.

Based on the information on the Bid Tabulation Summary, it is recommended that the County award the Demolition Contract Group 1 to the lowest responsible bidder, Finesse Builders Inc. (Owner Ginger Carter) at his bid price of \$20,700.00.

Please present this to the Board and upon Board approval have the County Official sign the Notice of Award and forward me a copy.

**2018 Columbus County HNGP - Demo Group 1
Bid Date: March 20, 2024 @ 10:30 a.m.**

Summary of Low Bids

Unit	Contractor	Bid Price
Demo Group 1	Finesse Builders Inc.	\$20,700.00
Demo Group 1	Straight Up Excavation	\$42,037.12
Demo Group 1	Barfield's Backhoe	\$23,324.00
Demo Group 1	4 Seasons Demolition Inc.	\$50,600.00

Recommendation of Awards

Unit	Contractor	Bid Price
18-01 Acq	Finesse Builders Inc.	\$10,350.00
18-06 Acq	Finesse Builders Inc.	\$10,350.00
Total	Finesse Builders Inc.	\$20,700.00

Note: I certify that these bids were received by the County of Columbus at 10:30 am on March 20, 2024. The bids have been checked and verified to be correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Approved David Carter
3/21/24
Date

Agenda Item #11: EMERGENCY SERVICES – APPROVAL of the PROPOSAL from RETRO ENVIRONMENTAL, INC. for ASBESTOS ABATEMENT of BUILDING C-911 CENTER:

Emergency Services Director David Ransom requested approval of the proposal from Retro Environmental, Inc. for the asbestos abatement of Building C – 911 Center in the amount of \$14,250. This project is being funded through the SCIF allocation.

MOTION:

Commissioner Featherson made a motion to approve, seconded by Vice Chairman Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.



March 14, 2024

County of Columbus
604 N. Thompson Street
Whiteville, NC 28472
Stuart Carroll
scarroll@columbusco.org

Re: Cost Proposal/30-24-0471/Asbestos Abatement/131 West Webster Street/Bldg. C-Whiteville NC

Dear Mr. Carroll,
Retro Environmental, Inc., is pleased to submit the following cost proposal for the above-referenced project. Retro proposes to provide all the necessary labor, equipment, material, disposal and supervision to perform the following:

- Remove and dispose of approximately 1,900SF of asbestos containing floor tile and associated mastic.
- Remove metal filling system on raised platform as demolition debris.
- Remove raised platform to access asbestos containing material. Platform demolition will be performed as non-asbestos demolition. Waste will be treated as C&D.
- Price excludes 3rd party air monitoring and inspection.

Lump Sum Price For This Work.....\$14,250.00
This work should be completed in 5-6 work shifts.

Expectation/Exclusions:

- A) Area and/or final air samples.
- B) Commercial general asbestos liability insurance is included.
- C) Retro to have full and unrestricted use of water and electricity.
- D) Price includes waste being disposed of at an EPA approved site.
- E) All electrical, mechanical and plumbing cut, caps and "make-safes" shall be performed by others.

Payment is due upon completion of work and receipt of invoice including emailed invoices. It is understood that we shall not be held liable for any loss, damage or delays caused by fire, strikes or material stolen after delivery upon premises, lockouts, act of God, or the public enemy, accidents, boycotts, material shortages, disturbed labor conditions, delayed delivery of material from sellers/suppliers, force majeure, inclement weather, floors, freight embargoes, causes of national emergencies, war or other causes beyond reasonable control. Price quoted in this contract is based upon present prices and upon condition that the proposal will be accepted within ten days. Project is accessible at all times and guaranteed uninterrupted work, also general conditions which are standard specifically for contractors in the construction industry, special conditions will be discussed with project manager as they occur. Should you have any questions or require any additional information please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Sincerely,

APPROVED SIGNATURE: _____

RETRO ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.
James B. Wallace
Branch Manager/Estimator

DATE: _____

Agenda Item #12: SHERIFF’S OFFICE – APPROVAL of CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE for the DEPARTMENT of PUBLIC SAFETY GRANT:

Captain Robert Creech requested approval of the Department of Public Safety Grant Project Ordinance in the amount of \$980,000.

MOTION:

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Floyd. The motion unanimously passed.

COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
Ordinance making appropriations to the
Columbus County Sheriff's Office
Detention Center – Department of Public Safety Grant
Grant Project Ordinance
for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2023

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina as follows:

Section 1: The following amounts are hereby made to the Columbus County Sheriff's Office – Detention Center Department of Public Safety Grant Capital Project Fund as of April 1, 2024, pursuant to G.S. 159 -13.2 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.

Source of Revenue			
	Current Revenues	Change	Proposed Revenues
95-3540-432330 – DPS Jail Grant Revenue	0	\$980,000.00	\$980,000.00

Project Appropriations			
	Current Appropriations	Change	Proposed Appropriations
95-4379-550000 – DPS Jail Grant – Capital Outlay	0	\$849,750.00	\$849,750.00
95-4379-525101 – DPS Jail Grant – MFR Building and Grounds	0	\$130,250.00	\$130,250.00
Total Project Appropriations:			\$980,000.00

Section 6: This declaration of official intent is made pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations to expressly declare the official intent of the County to reimburse itself from the proceeds of debt to be hereinafter incurred by the County for certain expenditures paid by the County on or after the date which is sixty (60) days prior to the date hereof.

Section 7: The County intends to seek Federal, State, and/or other grant funding to reduce the amount of loan proceeds. The adoption of this ordinance authorizes the County Manager and/or his representative to apply for and accept such funding if awarded.

Section 8: This project ordinance shall be entered in the minutes of the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County. Within five days hereof, copies of this ordinance shall be filed with the finance office in Columbus County, and with the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County. Copies of the Capital Project Ordinance shall be made available to the Budget Officer, the Project Manager, and the Finance Officer for direction in carrying out this project.

This Grant Project shall become effective on July 1, 2023.
ADOPTED, this 1st day of April 2024.

Section 2: The project undertaken pursuant to this ordinance is in accordance with the Recommended Budget and any changes made during the County Commissioners' budget work sessions.

Section 3: The Finance Director is hereby directed to maintain within the Capital Project Fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy all applicable regulations.

Section 4: The County desires to expend its own funds for the purpose of paying certain costs of various projects, for which expenditures the County reasonably expects to reimburse itself from the proceeds of debt to be incurred by the County.

Section 5: All expenditures relating to obtaining any bond referendum and or installment purchase will be reimbursed from bond proceeds and installment purchase proceeds in accordance with the requirements of the United States Treasury Regulations Section 1.150 -2.

Ricky Bullard, Chairman
Columbus County Board of Commissioners

Jana Nealey, Clerk to the Board

Agenda Item #13: ATTORNEY’S OFFICE – APPROVAL to TRANSFER the DEED for WILLIAMS TOWNSHIP SCHOOL to the COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD of EDUCATION:

Attorney Amanda Prince requested approval to transfer the deed for Williams Township School to the Columbus County Board of Education.

MOTION:

Vice Chairman Byrd made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Watts. The motion unanimously passed.

**the Deed is housed at the Register of Deeds Office*

Agenda Item #14: FINANCE – ACCEPTANCE of LEAD for NORTH CAROLINA FELLOW for COLUMBUS COUNTY:

Finance Director Lacie Jacobs requested acceptance of the Lead for North Carolina Fellow for Columbus County for FY 24-25.

MOTION:

Vice Chairman Byrd made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Featherson. The motion unanimously passed.

Lacie Jacobs

From: Hysjulien, Liam Vangsnes <liam@sog.unc.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, March 20, 2024 1:38 PM
To: Lacie Jacobs
Subject: [Caution External Sender] [Lead for North Carolina] You Have Been Selected to Host a Fellow for 2024-2025

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

Hi Lacie!

Congratulations! Glad to have you all back!

Your jurisdiction has been selected to host a Lead for NC Fellow starting this August.

The application pool was incredibly competitive, with over 100 local governments across the state applying to host. We were very interested in your work plan and commitment to ensuring the success of the fellow.

The total cost to participate in **Lead for NC is \$63,730**. This includes the fellow's payroll, health insurance, graduate credits from Chapel Hill, AmeriCorps costs, and employment taxes. This also includes the school's overhead costs. This includes grant administration associated with AmeriCorps (F&A indirect, background checks, AmeriCorps' Member Benefits) and overhead costs associated with the three week in-person training and ongoing virtual training and in-person training. The individual will be an employee of UNC Chapel Hill, and we will assign supervisory responsibilities to someone within your organization. Thanks to the generosity of our funders, most notably the State Employees' Credit Union, State Farm, Z. Smith Reynolds, and AmeriCorps, we can subsidize this experience for participating governments.

Your anticipated contribution is **\$30,000**. The host government will be sent an invoice on a quarterly basis from the UNC School of Government. If you have any questions or concerns about this cost-share, please let me know. Again, this position is for a full-time employee who will receive training and support from the UNC School of Government. Of our last cohort of fellows, over half transitioned into full-time positions with their local government. This success highlights the program's potential value as a pipeline development opportunity for your organization.

Please review the following action items.

- **Please let me know by April 3, 2024**, if you plan on participating in the fellowship program. If you are unable to participate, please inform me as soon as possible so that I can offer the opportunity to one of the many other governments on our waitlist. As soon as you inform us, we will start recruiting candidates for you to interview in May. After you successfully match with a candidate, we will send out service agreements that detail the arrangement and the final subsidy amount.
- Please review the scope of work provided below and let me know if you have any edits or revisions. We will use this work scope to advertise your position to potential candidates.
- Please inform us if you have any specific recruitment goals or requirements (such as particular skill sets or backgrounds).
- Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding any of the information shared here.

Thank you so much. We look forward to partnering with you!

Work Scope Description:

As a Fellow, the role involves active participation in the finance office, where tasks encompass being at the forefront of efforts to strengthen financial management. Responsibilities range from streamlining existing procedures to implementing state-of-the-art software solutions, ensuring the optimization of fiscal processes. In addition to the finance-centric tasks, the role extends to a broader perspective, contributing insights and efforts to projects addressing diverse county needs, such as transportation, public health, opioid epidemic, planning, and recreation. This multifaceted approach ensures that the Fellow's contributions not only enhance financial practices but also actively align with and support broader county-wide initiatives for sustained growth and community welfare.

Agenda Item #15: FINANCE – APPROVAL of the MONTHLY REPORT for FEBRUARY 2024, CHANGE ORDERS, and BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

Finance Director, Lacie Jacobs, requested approval of the following Monthly Report for February 2024, change orders, and budget amendments:

- a. Financial Report as of February 2024
- b. Historic Courthouse Change Order #4 - Wall
- c. Historic Courthouse Change Order #5 - Sidewalks
- d. Aquatic Weed Control
- e. Health Dept - ARPA Funding
- f. Environmental Health
- g. QRV Bolton
- h. Elections Primary
- i. Airport – Terminal Building – Amendment

MOTION:

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Watts. The motion unanimously passed.

COUNTY OF COLUMBUS
FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORT
February 2024

Percent of Year Complete: 66.67%

GENERAL FUND (Annual Operating Budget)	FY 23/24	ACTUAL YTD	BALANCE	% COLLECTED
REVENUES	BUDGET	TOTALS	REMAINING	YTD
AD VALOREM TAXES	39,356,952	31,742,984	7,613,968	80.7%
COURT	125,000	57,646	67,354	46.1%
SALES TAX	14,051,521	5,822,284	8,229,237	41.4%
TAX ADMINISTRATION REVENUES	37,675	495	37,180	1.3%
NC JCPC PROGRAM - TEEN COURT	77,477	44,679	32,798	57.7%
ELECTION FEES	120	32,845	(32,725)	27371.0%
REGISTER OF DEEDS	418,500	490,441	(71,941)	117.2%
SHERIFF	2,247,000	494,095	1,752,905	22.0%
DETENTION CENTER	802,000	260,342	541,658	32.5%
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	182,637	8,683	173,954	4.8%
INSPECTION	600,000	361,575	238,425	60.3%
ANIMAL CONTROL	35,000	25,274	9,726	72.2%
AIRPORT	523,400	354,997	168,403	67.8%
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/PLANNING	96,000	7,211	88,789	7.5%
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION	1,200	4,397	(3,197)	366.4%
SOIL CONSERVATION	30,800	2,862	27,938	9.3%
DEPARTMENT OF AGING REVENUES	1,733,735	815,502	918,233	47.0%
HEALTH DEPARTMENT	3,854,845	2,014,909	1,839,936	52.3%
SOCIAL SERVICE	8,411,067	3,618,057	4,793,010	43.0%
VETERANS SERVICE	2,000	2,174	(174)	108.7%
PUBLIC SCHOOLS	21,000	12,250	8,750	58.3%
LIBRARY	228,848	104,866	123,982	45.8%
RECREATION	31,600	35,636	(4,036)	112.8%
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	1,265,940	1,642,352	(376,412)	129.7%
TRANSFER FROM REVENUES	689,751	689,751	-	100.0%
FUND BALANCE APPROPRIATED	4,884,946	33,277	4,851,669	0.7%
Total General Fund Revenues	79,709,014	48,679,583	31,029,431	61.1%

GENERAL FUND (Annual Operating Budget)	FY 23/24	ACTUAL YTD	BALANCE	% EXPENSED
EXPENDITURES	BUDGET	TOTALS	REMAINING	YTD
GOVERNING BODY	308,362	176,915	131,447	57.4%
ADMINISTRATION	1,042,881	1,119,169	(76,288)	107.3%
PERSONNEL	642,621	412,891	229,730	64.3%
FINANCE	904,804	481,176	423,628	53.2%
TAX DEPARTMENT	1,012,335	1,146,538	765,797	80.0%
LEGAL DEPARTMENT	578,885	569,848	8,837	98.5%
NC JCPC PROGRAM - TEEN COURT	77,477	43,801	33,676	56.5%
COURT FACILITIES	434,406	289,528	144,878	66.7%
ELECTIONS	527,987	292,748	235,239	55.4%
REGISTER OF DEEDS	567,141	427,172	139,969	75.3%
MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM	492,864	335,888	156,976	68.2%
CENTRAL GARAGE	131,972	109,019	22,953	82.6%
PUBLIC BUILDINGS - ALL OTHER	2,442,478	1,177,003	1,265,475	48.2%
SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT	11,773,488	6,908,365	4,865,123	58.7%
LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER	5,303,200	2,855,505	2,447,695	53.8%
EMS	31,250	20,025	11,225	64.1%
EMERGENCY SERVICES	3,755,674	2,351,307	1,404,367	62.6%
CORONER MEDICAL EXAMINER	30,000	29,550	450	98.5%
ANIMAL CONTROL	708,548	449,353	259,195	63.4%
AIRPORT	685,979	432,762	253,217	63.1%
INSPECTIONS	470,789	276,341	194,448	58.7%
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/PLANNING	591,945	279,817	312,028	47.3%
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION	813,749	275,038	338,711	44.8%
SOIL CONSERVATION	335,813	210,452	125,361	62.7%
DEPARTMENT OF AGING	2,832,292	1,793,869	1,038,423	63.3%
HEALTH DEPARTMENT	6,909,658	3,333,079	3,576,579	48.2%
SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION	10,651,483	6,139,119	4,512,364	57.6%
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS	2,424,103	1,873,609	550,494	77.3%
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER	172,695	112,558	60,137	65.2%
EDUCATION	16,609,156	10,217,260	6,391,896	61.5%
LIBRARY	1,757,288	1,042,804	714,484	59.3%
RECREATION	588,201	314,670	273,531	53.5%
SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS	863,846	846,161	217,685	74.8%
TRANSFER TO	2,535,944	2,535,944	-	100.0%
Total General Fund Expenditures	79,709,014	48,679,583	31,029,431	61.1%
Total Revenue over/(under) Expenditures	-	(0)	-	-

COURTHOUSE RENOVATION PROJECT	FY 23/24	YTD	BALANCE	% Collected
REVENUES	BUDGET	TOTALS	REMAINING	YTD
COURTHOUSE CAP PROJ REVENUES	7,917,194	7,917,485	(291)	100%
EXPENDITURES				
PRIOR YEAR EXPENDITURES		2,153,844		
COURTHOUSE CAP PROJ EXPENDITURES		3,336,367		
	7,787,194	5,890,211	2,076,983	73%

HUD SECTION 8 RENTAL ASSISTANCE	FY 23/24	YTD	BALANCE	% Collected
REVENUES	BUDGET	TOTALS	REMAINING	YTD
	1,953,324	147,750	751,659	8%
EXPENDITURES				
	1,953,324	1,909,439	443,885	77%

TRANSPORTATION	FY 23/24	YTD	BALANCE	% Collected
REVENUES	BUDGET	TOTALS	REMAINING	YTD
	1,260,186	383,632	876,554	30%
EXPENDITURES				
	1,260,186	573,871	686,315	46%

DEBT SERVICE	FY 23/24	YTD	BALANCE	% Collected
REVENUES	BUDGET	TOTALS	REMAINING	YTD
	32,642,244	-	32,642,244	0%
EXPENDITURES				
	32,642,244	775,156	31,867,088	2%

WATER DISTRICTS I-V	FY 23/24	YTD	BALANCE	% Collected
REVENUES	BUDGET	TOTALS	REMAINING	YTD
WATER DISTRICT I	871,210	579,180	292,030	66%
WATER DISTRICT II	1,456,143	893,439	562,704	61%
WATER DISTRICT III	783,165	513,211	269,954	66%
WATER DISTRICT IV	927,325	579,282	348,043	62%
WATER DISTRICT V	843,416	719,133	133,283	84%
COMBINED WATER DISTRICT TOTALS	4,881,259	3,275,225	1,806,034	N/A

EXPENDITURES	FY 23/24	YTD	BALANCE	% Collected
WATER DISTRICT I	871,210	306,326	564,884	36%
WATER DISTRICT II	1,456,143	403,498	1,052,645	28%
WATER DISTRICT III	783,165	250,559	532,606	32%
WATER DISTRICT IV	927,325	304,968	622,357	33%
WATER DISTRICT V	843,416	285,008	558,408	34%
COMBINED WATER DISTRICT TOTALS	4,881,259	1,553,347	3,327,912	N/A

SOLID WASTE	FY 23/24	YTD	BALANCE	% Collected
REVENUES	BUDGET	TOTALS	REMAINING	YTD
	6,750,052	4,419,157	2,330,895	65%
EXPENDITURES				
	6,750,052	3,144,096	3,605,956	47%

Excess revenue over/(under) expenditures - 1,275,061

FIRE DEPARTMENTS	FY 23/24	YTD	BALANCE	% Collected
REVENUES	BUDGET	TOTALS	REMAINING	YTD
	1,781,537	1,842,610	(61,073)	103%
EXPENDITURES				
Ad Valorem Taxes	1,781,537	1,842,391	(60,854)	103%
	1,781,537	1,842,391	(60,854)	103%

AMBULANCE AND RESCUE UNITS	FY 23/24	YTD	BALANCE	% Collected
REVENUES	BUDGET	TOTALS	REMAINING	YTD
	728,090	711,693	16,397	98%
EXPENDITURES				
Ad Valorem Taxes	728,090	693,257	34,834	95%

CASH & INVESTMENTS

Cash:	
Central Depository - Truist	9,277,770
Central Depository - NCCMT	32,800,936
Water Districts - \$8,732,633	
Solid Waste - \$9,622,408	

Investments:	
Truist	5,076,918
First Citizens Wealth Management	6,180,472
United Bank - CD	339,718
Dana Investments/TD Ameritrade/Charles Schwab	890,501
Multi Bank Securities	582,627
First Bank - CDs	2,158,430

FUND BALANCE

General Fund:	
Unavailable Fund Balance (per auditors)	7,223,150
Committed and Assigned Fund Balance	15,634,158
Unassigned Fund Balance	16,762,657
Total Fund Balance	39,619,965

General Fund Total Expenditure Budget	79,709,014
Unassigned fund balance as % of Gen. Fd. Expend.	21.0%

Note: The Fund Balance computation listed above is unaudited. Final computation will be submitted when verified by Auditors

Total Grants received year to date for fiscal year 2023-2024 Through date of last Board meeting 1,409,223

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PCO #04

Thomas Construction Group LLC
1022 Ashes Drive Suite 200
Wilmington, North Carolina 28405
Phone: +19107992295

Project: 22-10-0412 - Columbus County Courthouse
113 Courthouse Square
Whiteville, North Carolina 28472

Prime Contract Potential Change Order #04: BD 26 plan revisions

TO:	Columbus County 127 West Webster Street Whiteville, North Carolina 28472	FROM:	Thomas Construction Group LLC 1022 Ashes Drive Suite 200 Wilmington, North Carolina 28405
PCO NUMBER/REVISION:	04 / 0	CONTRACT:	22-10-0412 - Columbus County Courthouse
REQUEST RECEIVED FROM:		CREATED BY:	Michael Brisson (Thomas Construction Group LLC)
STATUS:	Pending - In Review	CREATED DATE:	3/22/2024
REFERENCE:		PRIME CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER:	None
FIELD CHANGE:	No	ACCOUNTING METHOD:	Amount Based
LOCATION:		PAID IN FULL:	No
SCHEDULE IMPACT:	30 days	SIGNED CHANGE ORDER RECEIVED DATE:	
EXECUTED:	No	TOTAL AMOUNT:	\$36,385.01

POTENTIAL CHANGE ORDER TITLE: BD 26 plan revisions

CHANGE REASON: Owner Request

POTENTIAL CHANGE ORDER DESCRIPTION: (The Contract Is Changed As Follows)

CE #119 - BD 26: Conference 229 Revisions
Take old conference room 229 & subdivide to create additional room between current bailiff office & conference room. Scope includes relocating Bailiff to center room. Adds drywall, framing, crown & baseboard trim, paint, HVAC, electrical, Door/Frame/Hardware.

- Inclusions:**
- All work specifically indicated per Bulletin Drawing 26
 - Allowance for expected additional electrical rework not shown: \$5,000
 - Supervision and project management as required to complete

- Exclusions:**
- All work not specifically stated within allowances and bulletin drawings.
 - Off hours or holiday work.
 - Flooring refinishing and/or additional mobilization expense due to out of sequence work.

Work to commence upon execution of formal Contract Change Order. Pricing assumes commencement no later than Friday, 3/22/24. Cost subject to increase if not approved to commence prior to 3/22/24.

ATTACHMENTS:

Pridgen Bros. - conf. room 229.pdf , MX-2651_20240220_090638.pdf , EC Pricing.pdf , BD-26.1 M.E. Revisions to Conf 229-Model.pdf , BD-26 Conference 229 Revisions.pdf , Paint Pricing.pdf , Millwork.pdf

#	Budget Code	Description	Amount
1	9-2500.S Drywall.Subcontractor	New wall framing, drywall	\$2,251.00
2	9-9000.S Painting & Wallcovering.Subcontractor	Added paint of walls & new trim	\$1,450.00
3	6-2000.S Finish Carpentry.Subcontractor	added door casing, crown, baseboard	\$2,482.00
4	8-1000.S Doors, Frames, & Hardware.Subcontractor	added door, frame & hardware (1)	\$1,320.00

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PCO #04

#	Budget Code	Description	Amount
5	15-2000.S HVAC.Subcontractor	HVAC Rework per BD	\$8,949.91
6	16-1000.S Electrical/Low Voltage/Fire AI.Subcontractor	Electrical rework per BD - Excludes all scope not specifically indicated	\$1,879.86
7	2-2000.S Selective Demo.Subcontractor	Selective demo, cleanup, etc.	\$1,450.00
8	1-1402.O Super II.Other	Supervision	\$4,536.00
9	1-1405.O Project Manager LOther	PM time	\$1,700.00
10	16-1000.S Electrical/Low Voltage/Fire AI.Subcontractor	ALLOWANCE: Additional scope not designed including: unforeseens, security conduit relocations, floor box relocations, all work not indicated in BD26, etc.	\$5,000.00
Subtotal:			\$31,018.77
Bond (1.25% Applies to Material, Business Development, Other, Miscellaneous, Subcontractor, Sales Tax, Equipment, Estimating, Labor, and Labor Burden.)			\$387.73
Insurance (0.75% Applies to Material, Business Development, Other, Miscellaneous, Subcontractor, Sales Tax, Equipment, Estimating, Labor, and Labor Burden.)			\$232.64
OH&P (15.00% Applies to Material, Business Development, Other, Miscellaneous, Subcontractor, Sales Tax, Equipment, Estimating, Labor, and Labor Burden.)			\$4,745.87
Grand Total:			\$38,385.01

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DocuSigned by:
Michael Brisson
160384228A5EE
March 8, 2024

SIGNATURE DATE SIGNATURE DATE SIGNATURE DATE

CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM

Project: Columbus County Courthouse Change Order #: 9
Contract: Project #: 22-10-0412
Contractor: Ashley Electric, Inc Date: 2/13/2024

Description of Change:
Bulletin Drawing 23 & 24
- Rework fan light 229
- Add switches and rework wiring 229.1
- Add switches and feed new fan coil
- Relocate EM light 230 for door

		SUBTOTALS	
Materials:			
1. Total Direct Cost Materials:		\$469.00	
2. Sales Tax: 6.75%		\$31.66	
3. Shipping & Transportation		\$	\$500.66
Labor:			
4. Total Manhours: 21 @ \$54.00 /hr		\$1,134.00	
5. Total Labor Cost:		\$	
6. Labor Burden @ 18%		\$	\$1,134.00
Equipment Rental:			
7. Equipment Rental		\$	
8. Prints/Coordination/Design		\$	
9. Permit License		\$	
Subcontractor:			
10. Subcontractors		\$	
11. OH&P @ 10%		\$	
Subtotal of Proposal		\$1,634.66	
12. Overhead & Profit: 15%		\$245.20	
13. Subcontractors:		\$	
SUBTOTAL		\$	
TOTAL CHANGE OF PROPOSAL		\$1,879.86	

Time Extension Request: 1 Day(s)

Contractor's Signature: *[Signature]* Date: 2-13-2024
Approval Recommended by: _____ Date: _____
Design Consultant: _____ Date: _____
Owner's Representative Approval: _____ Date: _____

PRIDGEN BROTHERS CONTRACTORS, INC.

PO BOX 39/720 DAVIS AVENUE
WHITEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA 28472
PHONE: 910-642-8174—CELL: 910-640-6545
EMAIL: jerrytraneman@pridgencontractors.com
NC License # 9542

DATE: 02/27/24
PAGE: 1

TO: Michael Brisson

FROM: Jerry Pridgen

SUBJECT: Col. Co. Court House Revision to Conference 229

1/5500 BTU LG SJ Wall Unit with 80' Refrigerant Piping and Cutoff Valve to BC Controller #2	\$3,282.00
Wall mounting bracket, condensate pump and condensate piping	657.00
Relocate Existing Wall unit FECB to new location	977.00
Control wire	188.00
Additional Test and Balance cost	190.00
	\$5,294.00
Tax	265.88
	\$5,559.88
Labor 2/men 3 days at \$32.00	1,536.00
	\$7,086.88
15%	1,063.03
	\$8,949.91

Michael the delivery time from the Factory is 5/1/24. There is a very slight possibility that there could be one somewhere in the US in a Warehouse and when it is ordered they will try to find one but no promises yet.

Jerry

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1005 N Roberts Ave
Lumberton, NC 28358
910-739-9527

Change Order Request

Contractor: Thomas construction group
Date: 02/20/24
Job Name: Columbus county courthouse
(BD-26 Conference 229)

***Material & Labor**
Metal stud wall (3-5/8") with x5/8 sound break drywall, r-11 sound insulation with level 4 finish ready for paint. Demo a section of wall to add door frame provided by GC for entry to room 229.

Should you have any questions please contact Anthony Deese @ 910-286-3717 or antdeese@yahoo.com.....

Change Order Amount: \$2,251.00

Representative of Quality Interior Systems, LLC

Signature: *Anthony Deese* Date: 2/20/24

Contractor: _____
Signature: _____ Date: _____



MILLWORK PROPOSAL AND/OR CONTRACT

DATE: February 5, 2024
CONTRACTOR: Thomas Construction
Attn: Michael Brisson
JOB NAME: Columbus County Courthouse
LOCATION: Whiteville, NC

1. We propose to furnish the casework/millwork for the above referenced project according to the original plans and specifications PREPARED BY Coastal Architecture FOR THE SUM OF \$ 2,482.00 SALES TAX **included** FOB JOB SITE **Installed**

Addenda:
Voluntary Alternate:

2. **THIS PROPOSAL INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

- Pricing per BD-26 drawing
- Cut existing trim for new wall; GC to mark and Pridden to cut
- Provide and install base/shoe on each side of new wall
- Provide and install crown on each side of new wall
- Provide and install HM casings at new door 229.1 A

3. **EXCLUSIONS:**

- Work done during normal business hours
- No demolition
- No chair rail figured since room 228 was switched with 219
- Painter to prime & paint all trim
- GC to mark wall where new wall is going; Pridden to cut trim

4. After 30 days this quotation is optional with us.

Pridden Woodwork, Inc. reserves the right to adjust pricing as needed at the onset of the project, due to extreme market conditions.

Accepted _____ Purchaser
Respectfully Submitted
By: _____ Pridden Woodwork, Inc.
Date: _____ Title _____ By: *Shanna Hamito*

910 JEFFERSON STREET-WHITEVILLE, NC 28472-910.642.7175-FAK 910.642.6550-WWW.PRIDDENWOODWORK.COM



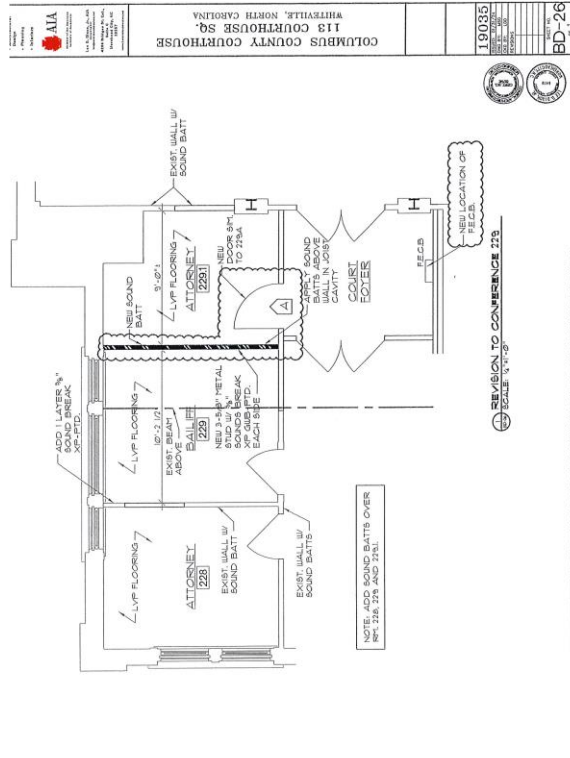
Quote

P.O. Box 838
Jacksonville, NC 28541
910-346-1885
www.southern-touchpainting.net

DATE: February 9, 2024
EXPIRATION DATE: 30 days

To: Thomas Construction
Address: Columbus County Courthouse
113 Courthouse Square, Whiteville, NC 28472

Scope of Work	LINE TOTAL
Painting Proposal- BD Drawings	
Description: They took one room and made it two, added crown, wall space etc. There's also exterior railings to be repainted in the other BD.	
Pricing: Price to prime the addition wall area, trim, and paint- Includes prep work	\$ 1,450.00
Handrails: Price to scrape, sand, prime and apply 2 coats of industrial paint on the handrails	\$ 1,650.00
SUBTOTAL	\$ 3,100.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,300.00



PCO #05

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Phone: +19107992295
Project: 22-10-0412 - Columbus County Courthouse
113 Courthouse Square
Whiteville, North Carolina 28472

Prime Contract Potential Change Order #05: CE #108 - BD 25: New sidewalks

TO: Columbus County 127 West Webster Street Whiteville, North Carolina 28472	FROM: Thomas Construction Group LLC 1022 Ashes Drive Suite 200 Wilmington, North Carolina 28405
PCO NUMBER/REVISION: 05 / 0	CONTRACT: 22-10-0412 - Columbus County Courthouse
REQUEST RECEIVED FROM:	CREATED BY: Michael Brisson (Thomas Construction Group LLC)
STATUS: Pending - In Review	CREATED DATE: 3/8/2024
REFERENCE:	PRIME CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER: None
FIELD CHANGE: No	ACCOUNTING METHOD: Amount Based
LOCATION:	PAID IN FULL: No
SCHEDULE IMPACT: 30 days	SIGNED CHANGE ORDER RECEIVED DATE:
EXECUTED: No	TOTAL AMOUNT: \$27,359.05

POTENTIAL CHANGE ORDER TITLE: CE #108 - BD 25: New sidewalks

CHANGE REASON: Drawing Revision

POTENTIAL CHANGE ORDER DESCRIPTION: (The Contract Is Changed As Follows)

CE #108 - BD 25: New sidewalks at perimeter
Pricing for BD 25: Add perimeter sidewalks includes grading and export of spoils, fine grading adjacent and placing rye grass seed for temporary stabilization. Final landscaping is excluded, assumed by others. Partial drive lane closures may be required to facilitate pouring.

- Exclusions:**
- All work not specifically stated within bulletin drawing
 - Off hours or holiday work
 - Rework, replacement or relocation of existing utilities, utility cleanout covers, manholes, backflows or other unforeseen interferences.
 - Replacement of any existing curb and gutter, whether damage is present or not. Contractor created damage to be replaced or repaired if incurred.
- Work to commence upon execution of formal Contract Change Order. Pricing assumes commencement no later than Friday, 3/22/24. Cost subject to increase if not approved to commence prior to 3/22/24.

ATTACHMENTS:
CGH SIDEWALK PRICING 2.19.24.pdf - BD-25 New Sidewalk.pdf

#	Budget Code	Description	Amount
1	3-1000.S Concrete.Subcontractor	Concrete Expense	\$12,274.00
2	2-8310.S Fences and Gates.Subcontractor	Temp seeding (rye grass)	\$1,500.00
3	3-1000.O Concrete.Other	Site cleanup/backfill/fine grade	\$2,700.00
4	1-1402.O Super II.Other	Super Time	\$3,240.00
5	1-1405.O Project Manager I.Other	PM Time	\$1,360.00



PCO #05

#	Budget Code	Description	Amount
6	6-1000.O Rough Carpentry/Other	Traffic Control labor (Flagging) - 2 MEN, 1.5 DAYS	\$2,250.00
			Subtotal: \$23,324.00
Bond (1.25% Applies to Material, Business Development, Other, Miscellaneous, Subcontractor, Sales Tax, Equipment, Estimating, Labor, and Labor Burden.)			\$291.55
Insurance (0.75% Applies to Material, Business Development, Other, Miscellaneous, Subcontractor, Sales Tax, Equipment, Estimating, Labor, and Labor Burden.)			\$174.93
OH&P (15.00% Applies to Material, Business Development, Other, Miscellaneous, Subcontractor, Sales Tax, Equipment, Estimating, Labor, and Labor Burden.)			\$3,568.57
Grand Total:			\$27,359.05

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SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____
Michael Brisson
180084000004
March 8, 2024

BUDGET AMENDMENT FY 2024

Name of Department: Cooperative Extension
 Name of Capital Project (if applicable):
 Agency Head Signature: Howard Wallace
 Date Prepared: March 18, 2024 Date Received in Admin:

EXPENDITURE				Requested
Budget Code	Dept	Object	Classification Line Item	Increase or (Decrease)
10	4950	540002	Contracted Services - DEQ	59,458
Total Net Expenditures				59,458

REVENUE				Requested
Budget Code	Dept	Object	Classification Line Item	Increase or (Decrease)
10	3991	499101	Fund Balance Appropriated	59,458
Total Net Revenue				59,458

This budget revision has been approved by the Board of Columbus County Commissioners on: _____
 Signature _____ Date _____

Explanation of Increase or Decrease:
 Aquatic Weed Control Program - 2023 weed season Gapway Swamp - Richardson Pond, Gapway Swamp - Buffin Pond Invoice #s 2023-99265-00, 2023-02970-00, 2023-04524-00, 2023-12203-00

BUDGET AMENDMENT FY 2024

Name of Department: Columbus County Health Department
 Agency Head Signature: Kimberly Smith 03/20/24
 Date Prepared: March 20, 2024 Date Received in Admin:

EXPENDITURES				Requested
Budget Code	Dept	Category	Classification	Increase or (Decrease)
10	5112	512100	COOP Salaries	\$50,000
Total Net Expense				\$50,000

REVENUES				Requested
Budget Code	Dept	Category	Classification	Increase or (Decrease)
10	3510	441004	Local Fees COOP	\$50,000
Total Net Revenue				\$50,000

This budget revision has been approved by the Columbus County Finance Office:
 This budget revision has been approved by the Columbus County County Manager:
 This budget revision has been approved by the Board of Columbus County Commissioners on: _____
 Signature _____ Date _____

Explanation of Increase or Decrease:
 Additional ARPA Funding FY23/24 and may be carried over to FY24/25

BUDGET AMENDMENT FY 23/24

Name of Department: Columbus County Health Department
 Agency Head Signature: Kimberly Smith 03/20/24
 Date Prepared: March 8, 2024 Date Received in Admin:

EXPENDITURES				Requested
Budget Code	Dept	Category	Classification	Increase or (Decrease)
10	5180	526001	Environ Health Department Supplies	\$8,021
Total Net Expense				\$8,021

REVENUES				Requested
Budget Code	Dept	Category	Classification	Increase or (Decrease)
10	3510	430024	State Food Lodging	\$8,021
Total Net Revenue				\$8,021

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 This budget revision has been approved by the Columbus County County Manager:
 This budget revision has been approved by the Board of Columbus County Commissioners on: _____
 Signature _____ Date _____

Explanation of Increase or Decrease:
 Food and Lodging Payment FY 23/24

BUDGET AMENDMENT Columbus County, NC

Name of Department: Facilities Services/Emergency Services
 Agency Head Signature: Stuart Carroll/Nick West
 Date Prepared: March 25, 2024 Date Received in Admin:

EXPENDITURE				Requested
Budget Code	Dept	Object	Classification Line Item	Increase or (Decrease)
10	4265	532112	M & R/Emergency Services	25,000
10	4530	550000	Capital Outlay	33,000
Total Net Expenditures				58,000

REVENUE				Requested
Budget Code	Dept	Object	Classification Line Item	Increase or (Decrease)
10	3991	499101	Fund Balance Appropriated	58,000
Total Net Revenue				58,000

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Explanation of Increase or Decrease:
 To increase availability of maintenance and repair for QRV/Bolton location uplift. To add capital outlay dollars related to the metal building and concrete pad for QRV vehicle to be stored at the site.

BUDGET AMENDMENT Columbus County, NC

Name of Department: Elections
 Agency Head Signature: Ashley Collins/Felicia Brown 3/15/24
 Date Prepared: March 28, 2024 Date Received in Admin: Ashley Collins on Vacation

EXPENDITURE				Requested
Budget Code	Dept	Object	Classification Line Item	Increase or (Decrease)
10	4170	519001	Staff Development	200
10	4170	526001	Departmental Supplies	20,540
10	4170	532100	Telephone	1,000
10	4170	535000	MAR/Equipment	500
10	4170	549100	Dues and Subscriptions	170
10	4170	550000	Capital Outlay	5,000
10	4170	519910	Christmas Bonus	80
10	4170	537000	Advertising	3,000
10	4170	541500	Rent - Land, Buildings, Etc.	1,500
Total Net Expenditures				33,000

REVENUE				Requested
Budget Code	Dept	Object	Classification Line Item	Increase or (Decrease)
10	3417	441005	Elections Fees	33,000
Total Net Revenue				33,000

This budget revision has been approved by the Board of Columbus County Commissioners on: _____
 Signature _____ Date _____

Explanation of Increase or Decrease:
 Additional elections revenues not originally budgeted have been collected - Adjusting budget to account for additional primary election in FY24.

COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
 Ordinance making appropriations to the
 County of Columbus
 Airport - New Terminal Building AV Block Grant
 Capital Project Fund
 for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2023

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina as follows:

Section 1: The following amounts are hereby made to the Columbus County Airport - New Terminal Building AV Block Grant Capital Project Fund as of March 4, 2024, pursuant to G.S. 159 - 13.2 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.

	Source of Revenue		
	Current Revenues approved in November 2023	Change	Proposed Revenues
51-3481-432001 - AV Block Grant	\$94,489.00	(\$12,584.00)	\$81,905.00

	Project Appropriations		
	Current Appropriations approved in November 2023	Change	Proposed Appropriations
51-4542-432001 - Administrative Expenses	\$1,500.00	--	\$1,500.00
51-4542-548012 - Preliminary Engineering Testing	\$21,090.00	--	\$21,090.00
51-4542-519034 - Engineering Services Basic Fees	\$71,899.00	(\$12,584.00)	\$59,315.00
Total Project Appropriations:			\$81,905.00

Section 2: The project undertaken pursuant to this ordinance is in accordance with the Recommended Budget and any changes made during the County Commissioners' budget work sessions.

Section 3: The Finance Director is hereby directed to maintain within the Capital Project Fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy all applicable regulations. The terms of any financing agreement shall be met.

Section 4: The County desires to expend its own funds for the purpose of paying certain costs of various projects, for which expenditures the County reasonably expects to reimburse itself from the proceeds of debt to be incurred by the County.

Section 5: All expenditures relating to obtaining any bond referendum and or installment purchase will be reimbursed from bond proceeds and installment purchase proceeds in accordance with the requirements of the United States Treasury Regulations Section 1.150 -2.

Section 6: This declaration of official intent is made pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations to expressly declare the official intent of the County to reimburse itself from the proceeds of debt to be hereinafter incurred by the County for certain expenditures paid by the County on or after the date which is sixty (60) days prior to the date hereof.

Section 7: The County intends to seek Federal, State, and/or other grant funding to reduce the amount of loan proceeds. The adoption of this ordinance authorizes the County Manager and/or his representative to apply for and accept such funding if awarded.

Section 8: This project ordinance shall be entered in the minutes of the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County. Within five days hereof, copies of this ordinance shall be filed with the finance office in Columbus County, and with the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County. Copies of the Capital Project Ordinance shall be made available to the Budget Officer, the Project Manager, and the Finance Officer for direction in carrying out this project.

This Capital Project shall become effective on April 1, 2024
ADOPTED, this 1st day of April 2024.

Ricky Bullard, Chairman
Columbus County Board of Commissioners

Jana Neasley, Clerk to the Board

Agenda Item #16: GOVERNING BODY – APPROVAL to have a BUDGET WORKSHOP for SHERIFF’S OFFICE:

Chairman Ricky Bullard requested approval to hold a Budget Workshop for the Sheriff's Office, April 8th, 2024 at 4:00 P.M. in the Commissioners Chambers.

MOTION:

Vice Chairman Byrd made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Coleman. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #17: APPOINTMENTS/RE-APPOINTMENTS/REPLACEMENTS: STAFF is REQUESTING APPOINTMENTS, REAPPOINTMENTS or REPLACEMENTS to the FOLLOWING BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS.

Legend: EB =Entire Board
Listed Zone # =Individual Commissioner

Zone I:	Barbara Featherson	Zone V:	Brent Watts
Zone II:	Chris Smith	Zone VI:	Ricky Bullard
Zone III:	Giles E. Byrd	Zone VII:	Scott Floyd
Zone IV:	Lavern Coleman		

COMMITTEE	ZONE/EB	PERSON(S)	EXP. DATE	BOARD ACTION
SCC Board of Trustees	EB	Robert Ezzell (resigned)	06/30/2024	Featherson nominated - Michael Powel Coleman nominated – Ricky Bullard Roll-Call needed for vote for Ricky Bullard and went as follows: Featherson – Nay Smith – Yay Floyd – Yay Byrd – Nay Coleman – Yay Watts - Yay Ricky Bullard Appointed
Tabor City Planning & Zoning	EB	Ricky Thompson ETJ	4/30/2024	Reappointed

RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V.

MOTION:

At 7:00 P.M. a Motion was made by Commissioner Watts and second by Commissioner Featherson to recess regular session and enter into Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V.

Agenda Item #18: APPROVAL of WATER and SEWER COMBINATION MINUTES:

- March 18, 2024 (5 sets)

MOTION:

Commissioner Watts made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Coleman. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #19: WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS IV and V – APPROVAL of the RESOLUTION and BID AWARD to KBS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY and NOTICE to PROCEED for the LAKELAND VILLAGE UP FIT PROJECT and MARLOWE ROAD WATERLINE EXTENSION:

Public Utilities Director Harold Nobles requested approval of the Resolution and issuance of the bid in the amount of \$838,260 to KBS Construction Company and the notice to proceed for the Lakeland Village up fit Project and Marlowe Road waterline extension. This work is all grant funded.

MOTION:

Vice Chairman Byrd made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Smith. The motion unanimously passed.

RESOLUTION OF TENTATIVE AWARD



WHEREAS, the Columbus County Water District IV has received bids, pursuant to duly advertisement notice therefore, for construction of the Water System Improvements – Lakeland Village Subdivision & Marlowe Road Extension project, with DWI Project No. SRP-D-ARP-0116 funding for the Lakeland Village Subdivision portion of this work, and

March 21, 2024

WHEREAS, Green Engineering P.L.L.C., Consulting Engineers have reviewed the bids; and

Columbus County
127 W. Webster Street
Whiteville, North Carolina 28472

WHEREAS, KSB Construction was the lowest bidder with a total price of \$838,260.00; which includes \$492,685.00 for Part A – Lakeland Village Subdivision (DWI Project No.: SRP-D-ARP-0116) and \$345,575.00 for Part B – Marlowe Road Extension, and

Attention: Mr. Edwin H. Madden, Jr., County Manager

WHEREAS, the Consulting Engineers recommend TENTATIVE AWARD to the lowest responsible bidder.

SUBJECT: **Recommendation of Award**
Water System Extensions
Lakeland Village Subdivision Project No. SRP-D-ARP-0016
Marlowe Road Extension
Columbus County, North Carolina
PN: 22-199

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that TENTATIVE AWARD is made to the lowest responsible bidder for the Base Bid work in the amount of \$838,260.00.

Dear Mr. Madden:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such TENTATIVE AWARD be contingent upon the approval of the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality.

Bids were received on Thursday, March 21, 2024, for the Lakeland Village Subdivision (Project No. SRP-D-ARP-0016) and Marlowe Road Water Main Extension projects. These two projects were bid on under a single contract. All Bids have been reviewed and tabulated as presented on the attached "Bid Tabulation". The low Bidder for this work is KBS Construction Company, LLC, a utility contracting company from Fremont, North Carolina with a bid of \$838,260.00. This low bid is within the Engineer's budgeted amount for this work and Green Engineering is recommending award of this project to KBS Construction Company, LLC.

Upon motion of _____, seconded by _____, the above RESOLUTION was unanimously adopted.

Should there be any questions regarding the information presented with our recommendation, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

This is __ day of _____, 2024.

Respectfully,

Ricky Bullard, Chairman

E. Leo Green, III P.E., P.L.S.

Attest:

Jana Nealey, Clerk to the Board

ELG/pbg

BID TABULATION

PROJECT OWNER: COLUMBUS COUNTY
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS
LAKELAND VILLAGE SUBDIVISION & MARLOWE ROAD
BID OPENING DATE: MARCH 21, 2024 @ 2:00 P.M.
ENGINEER: GREEN ENGINEERING, P.L.L.C.

PART A – LAKELAND VILLAGE SUBDIVISION : Project No. : SRP-D-ARP-0016

Item	Quantity	Description	KBS Construction		Ralph Hodge Construction		MetCon		Frank Home Constr.	
			Unit	Total	Unit	Total	Unit	Total	Unit	Total
1.	6,500 LF	6" Dia. PVC Water Main	30.00	195,000.00	32.20	209,300.00	35.00	234,000.00	48.00	312,000.00
2.	125 LF	6" Dia. D.I. Water Main	65.00	8,125.00	79.10	9,887.50	67.00	8,375.00	100.00	12,500.00
3.	200 LF	6" Dia. D.I. Water Main Carrier Pipe	70.00	14,000.00	70.60	14,120.00	74.00	14,800.00	93.00	18,600.00
4.	30 LF	2" Dia. PVC Water Main (Dry Bore)	85.00	2,550.00	64.20	1,926.00	20.00	600.00	43.00	1,290.00
5.	6,855 LF	Cleamp, Seeding and Testing	2.00	13,710.00	5.00	34,275.00	10.30	70,606.50	4.00	27,420.00
6.	150 LF	12" Dia. Steel Casing (Bore & Jack)	325.00	48,750.00	453.00	67,950.00	423.00	63,450.00	275.00	41,250.00
7.	22 EA	6" Gate Valve w/Box	1,950.00	42,900.00	2,020.00	44,440.00	1,730.00	38,060.00	2,275.00	50,050.00
8.	1 EA	2" Gate Valve w/Box	800.00	800.00	1,160.00	1,160.00	940.00	940.00	1,425.00	1,425.00
9.	3 EA	Fire Hydrants	8,500.00	25,500.00	6,090.00	18,270.00	4,420.00	13,260.00	6,275.00	18,825.00
10.	3 EA	Blowoff Assemblies	3,500.00	10,500.00	1,090.00	3,270.00	3,061.00	9,183.00	3,050.00	9,150.00
11.	3,000 LBS	Compact Fittings	6.00	18,000.00	17.70	53,100.00	17.00	51,000.00	15.00	45,000.00
12.	57 EA	Existing Water Service Reconnection	500.00	28,500.00	200.00	11,400.00	480.00	27,360.00	1,250.00	71,250.00
13.	810 LF	3/4" Service Line (Open Cut)	5.00	4,050.00	29.40	23,814.00	5.25	4,252.50	12.00	9,720.00
14.	860 LF	3/4" Service Line (Bore)	15.00	12,900.00	45.00	38,700.00	7.70	6,622.00	32.00	27,520.00
15.	30 SY	Asphalt Repair	125.00	3,750.00	116.00	3,480.00	110.00	3,300.00	125.00	3,750.00
16.	15 EA	Wattle Check Dam	150.00	2,250.00	95.90	1,438.50	285.50	4,282.50	225.00	3,375.00
17.	500 LF	Silt Fence	4.00	2,000.00	3.50	1,750.00	5.15	2,575.00	7.00	3,500.00
18.	300 LF	Temporary Ditch Liner	10.00	3,000.00	5.50	1,650.00	5.50	1,650.00	20.00	6,000.00
19.	60 TNS	Stone Bedding	50.00	3,000.00	89.60	5,376.00	78.00	4,680.00	65.00	3,900.00
20.	40 TNS	CABC Stone	50.00	2,000.00	54.50	2,180.00	75.00	3,000.00	60.00	2,400.00
21.	36 CY	Select Backfill	25.00	900.00	119.00	4,284.00	55.20	1,987.20	32.00	1,152.00
22.	5,050 LF	Existing 4-inch Water Main Abandonment in-Place with Flowable Fill	10.00	50,500.00	4.30	-21,715.00	5.00	25,250.00	5.00	25,250.00
TOTAL PART A - LAKELAND VILLAGE				\$492,685.00		\$573,486.00		\$589,233.70		\$695,327.00

PART B - MARLOWE ROAD EXTENSION			KBS Construction		Ralph Hodge Construction		MetCon		Frank Horne Constr.	
Item	Quantity	Description	Unit Price	Total Cost	Unit Price	Total Cost	Unit Price	Total Cost	Unit Price	Total Cost
1.	6,450	LF 8" Dia. PVC Water Main	35.00	225,750.00	42.50	274,125.00	40.60	261,870.00	56.00	361,200.00
2.	20	LF 6" Dia. PVC Water Main	30.00	600.00	32.20	644.00	33.00	660.00	63.00	1,260.00
3.	120	LF 8" Dia. Ductile Iron Water Main	70.00	8,400.00	91.40	10,968.00	88.00	10,560.00	110.00	13,200.00
4.	125	LF 8" Dia. DIP Carrier Pipe	105.00	13,125.00	86.80	10,850.00	88.00	11,000.00	157.00	19,625.00
5.	6,715	LF Clean Up, Seeding and Testing	2.00	13,430.00	5.00	33,575.00	11.00	73,865.00	4.00	26,860.00
6.	2	EA 6" Dia. Gate Valve w/Box	2,000.00	4,000.00	2,040.00	4,080.00	1,796.00	3,592.00	2,275.00	4,550.00
7.	7	EA 8" Dia. Gate Valve w/Box	2,700.00	18,900.00	2,680.00	18,760.00	2,571.00	17,997.00	3,300.00	23,100.00
8.	1	EA 2" Blow Off Assembly	3,500.00	3,500.00	1,210.00	1,210.00	1,900.00	1,900.00	4,065.00	4,065.00
9.	90	LF 16" Dia. Steel Casing (Bore & Jack)	400.00	36,000.00	552.00	49,680.00	470.00	42,300.00	345.00	31,050.00
10.	1,335	LBS Compact Fittings	7.00	9,345.00	17.70	23,629.50	16.35	21,827.25	17.00	22,695.00
11.	6	EA 5/8" x 3/4" Water Service	600.00	3,600.00	605.00	3,630.00	1,376.00	8,256.00	1,835.00	11,010.00
12.	120	LF 3/4" Service Line (Open Cut)	5.00	600.00	29.40	3,528.00	7.60	912.00	12.00	1,440.00
13.	40	LF 3/4" Service Line (Bored)	15.00	600.00	45.00	1,800.00	11.35	454.00	32.00	1,280.00
14.	45	LF 8" PVC Dy Bore (Driveway)	95.00	4,275.00	38.50	1,732.50	167.00	7,515.00	75.00	3,375.00
15.	7	EA Wattle Check Dam	150.00	1,050.00	95.90	671.30	290.00	2,030.00	225.00	1,575.00
16.	20	TONS CABC Driveway Stone	50.00	1,000.00	54.50	1,090.00	77.00	1,540.00	60.00	1,200.00
17.	15	TONS Stone Bedding	60.00	900.00	89.60	1,344.00	81.00	1,215.00	65.00	975.00
18.	50	SY Temporary Ditch Liner	10.00	500.00	5.50	275.00	10.00	500.00	20.00	1,000.00
TOTAL PART B - MARLOWE ROAD EXTENSION				\$345,575.00		\$441,592.30		\$465,593.25		\$529,460.00
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION PARTS A & B				\$838,260.00		\$1,015,078.30		\$1,054,826.95		\$1,224,787.00

OTHER BIDDERS
 Burnette Enterprises of Wilmington \$1,327,357.15
 Columbus Utilities \$1,412,628.25
 Grahams Construction \$1,937,364.50

I, E. LEO GREEN, III, P.E., HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS BID TABULATION IS A TRUE AND CORRECT REPRESENTATION OF THE BIDS RECEIVED FOR THIS PROJECT ACCORDING TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

E. Leo Green III
 E. LEO GREEN, III, P.E.



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Agenda Item #20: WATER and SEWER DISTRICT V – APPROVAL to PAY INVOICE for BILLS WELL DRILLING for GUIDEWAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEST WELL:

Public Utilities Director Harold Nobles requested approval to pay the invoice from Bill's Well Drilling for the Guideway Elementary School Test Well in the amount of \$11,375 which will be paid using the SCIF allocation.

MOTION:

Vice Chairman Byrd made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Watts. The motion unanimously passed.

Bill's Well Drilling Co.
 809 McArthur Rd
 Fayetteville, NC 28311
 Phone #: 910-488-3740
 Fax #: 910-488-3687

To:
 Columbus County Water & Sewer District
 111 Washington St
 Whiteville, NC 28472

INVOICE 35633

Date: 1/25/2024

Customer Phone #: _____

Job: _____

Tech: _____

P.O. No. _____

Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
	Guideway Elementary School - Test Well 11570 Swamp Fox Hwy E Tabor City, NC 28463		
1	Labor & materials to pump well with cement to fill from 260-307	3,500.00	3,500.00T
1	Labor to install test pump & run preliminary test to determine flow and water characteristics, and conduct 6 hour test and collect inorganic	4,000.00	4,000.00T
1	Complete inorganic water sample	700.00	700.00
1	Labor & materials to abandon existing well per NC well regulations	2,500.00	2,500.00T
Subtotal			\$10,700.00
Sales Tax (6.75%)			\$675.00
Total			\$11,375.00
Payments/Credits			\$0.00
Balance Due			\$11,375.00

TERMS: Please pay from this invoice. DUE UPON RECEIPT. Invoiced 1/10/24 PER MONTH SERVICE CHARGE on unpaid account balance (18% A.P.R.) Upon customer's failure to pay account, customer agrees to pay seller's reasonable attorney's fee and legal expense in any collection action.

Due Date: 2/15/2024

ADJOURN COMBINATION MEETING OF Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV AND V BOARD MEETING.

MOTION:

Commissioner Watts made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Coleman. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #21: COMMENTS:

A. Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Watts had no comments.

Vice Chairman Coleman commented:

- I'd like to recognize the Lady Gators Basketball Team for being 2nd place at the state playoffs.
- Pineland Acres in my area has had quite a bit of tractor trailer traffic and it is breaking down the highway and it is very close to a water main. I really need to see who we can get to remedy this.
- Acme Delco School is being vandalized again, please get someone to look at that.

Vice Chairman Byrd commented:

- I get calls about all those lights left on at night at the Historic Courthouse, people want to know why the lights are being left on.
 - *County Manager Eddie Madden responded by saying that the contractors are paying that light bill.*
- I am also getting calls about family farms. Some are wanting to have one of their children to build a house on the family farm. I know we have had that discussion before but if the lot is being sold, I can see where the landowner would be put through the expense of surveying the land, but, if the parents own the land and want a child to build on it, why do they have to get it surveyed. I have been told that it is a state law and I would like to see exactly what that law says. I have a worker that I have been trying to provide housing for and I am not going to go surveying off anything. I want someone to look into that.

Commissioner Smith had no comments.

Commissioner Floyd had no comments.

Commissioner Featherson had no comments.

Chairman Bullard had no comments.

B. County Manager

County Manager Eddie Madden commented:

I just would like to draw your attention to the following events:

- April 8th, 2024 Sheriff's Office Budget Workshop
- April 11th, 2024, Airport Ribbon Cutting
- April 19th, 2024 Julie Strickland Park sign unveiling.
- Fire ADR Annual Banquet later in the month.

Agenda Item #22: ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION:

At 7:07 P.M., Vice Chairman Byrd made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Smith The motion unanimously passed.

JANA NEALEY, Clerk to the Board

RICKY BULLARD, Chairman